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BELIEVE YOU WILL FIND THAT THE SHAH IS WELL ON TOP OF THE PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN AFGHAN/PAKISTAN RELATIONS AND THAT HE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO PRESIDENT DAOUD'S VISIT TO TEHRAN ON APRIL 26. THE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THEM PROMISES TO BE LIVELY. REREADING PARAGRAPH 14 OF REFTEL, HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THERE WILL BE A "FRANK" RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THESE TWO LEADERS ALTHOUGH DOUBT VERY MUCH THAT IT CAN BE DESCRIBED AS "EASY" IN LIGHT OF PRESIDENT DAOUD'S REITERATED COMMENTS ABOUT BALUCHISTAN. IN ANY EVENT, AS WE HAVE POINTED OUT BEFORE, THE SHAH REGARDS DAOUD AS AN "EXPERIENCED LEADER", AND THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT HE FEELS HE IS THE BEST INDIVIDUAL TO HEAD AFGHANISTAN AT THE PRESENT TIME.
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